

## OKLAHOMA.

## EVENTS OF A DAY SOUTH OF THE KANSAS LINE.

Work of the Two Branches of the Law-making Body of the New Territory.

A Number of Important Bills Passed by Both Houses—The Cattle Provision of the Public Health Bill.

A Couple of Distressing Accidents Cause the Death of Two Children—The Weekly Budget of Social Gossip From Guthrie—Personal and Political Points.

## Special Dispatch to the Daily Eagle.

GUTHRIE, Ok., Nov. 22.—During the past week the legislature has done considerable work. Several good bills have been passed, and the committees of both houses have worked hard. The school bill is now in the hands of the governor, and we are in a fair way to have laws. The danger is that legislation from this on will be too hurried. Three sessions a day are now the order. The council is a reverential body. During the chaplain's prayer the other morning, one member was smoking a cigar, another stood with a newspaper extended, while another was making a diagram. The person prayed on "allice samce."

Representative Park is a terror to some of the members of the legislature. He claims to be somewhat of a phrenologist.

## COUNCIL.

## MORNING SESSION.

After the chaplain had discharged his solemn duty in the council, and Major Simpson had gone through the usual routine incumbent upon the chief clerk of the council, an additional rule was offered by Mr. Bixler.

It provides for a president pro tem. of the council, vesting him with full power in the absence of the president. Its consideration was postponed until Monday.

Mr. Grimmer's bill providing for extra compensation for the county judge of Beaver county was briefly considered. Mr. Grimmer said that the judge's fees in all the time he has been there had only amounted to twenty-five dollars.

It was indefinitely postponed, for the reason that it was provided for by the bill that recently passed the council.

The judiciary committee of the council was instructed to confer with the judiciary committee of the house and prepare another bill against carrying weapons. In committee of the whole, with Mr. Bixler in the chair, the council considered council bill No. 73, which provides for a supreme court library.

It fixes the library at the seat of government and under the control of the supreme court, with the clerk of the supreme court as librarian. It makes the lawyers of the territory support the library by a tax of \$10 per year, which shall exempt them from all other occupation taxes. An attorney attempting to practice without having paid the tax shall be fined \$100, and, on failure to remit the fine and tax, to be suspended from the bar until such fine and tax are paid.

The committee rose without taking any action, and the bill was referred to the committee on judiciary.

The council then considered council bill No. 70, prepared by Mr. Brown of Oklahoma, with Mr. Bixler in the chair.

It defines the qualifications of jurors and grand jurors in perjury cases.

Mr. Linn moved that it be indefinitely postponed.

Where the alleged perjury was committed in a case where the right to acquire or hold land or lots of the United States is in controversy, when the juror is engaged in any contest case, it makes it a ground for challenge.

It makes the same thing a disqualification to sit on a grand jury.

Mr. Pittman thought it would not be right to pick out a particular class of jurors.

Mr. Foster said that if a trial by jury had not thrown around it absolute impartiality, it was a ruling farce.

Mr. Brown of Oklahoma said that perjury was secured now on the ground that so many people are interested in contest cases that it would be impossible to get a grand jury that would find an indictment. No action was taken. The matter was postponed until Monday at 10:30.

## HOUSE.

## MORNING SESSION.

A few more than a quorum—sixteen in all—listened to the roll call.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain. The journal was read.

The use of Representative hall was granted to the ladies of the Baptist church Tuesday evening, Nov. 23, for the purpose of holding a social.

Council bill No. 11, providing for the issuance of county warrants by county commissioners, was returned by the committee on ways and means, with a recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 56, relating to sheriffs, was reported favorably.

The judiciary bill (council bill No. 64) was reported favorably.

The house passed the following bills:

House bill No. 61, an act providing for territorial commissioners.

House bill No. 62, notaries.

House bill No. 67, grand and petit jurors.

The council returned house bill No. 70, relating to perjury, amended.

The house concurred in the amendments.

House bill No. 62, an act to protect the public health, was considered in committee of the whole.

The act provides for the protection of public health and prescribes punishment for offenses against the same.

Section 5 read as follows: "No Texas or southern or southwestern cattle shall be driven in or through the territory of Oklahoma between March 1st and December 1st of each year. Any person, corporation or company violating any of the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction, be fined in a sum not to exceed one thousand dollars or by imprisonment not to exceed two years."

Bill passed.

Mr. Campbell introduced a resolution prohibiting the use of the hall for miscellaneous purposes. A communication had been received asking for the use of the hall for the John Dillon troupe. This brought out considerable discussion.

Mr. Meritt—If the house is going into the show business, it is not necessary to import any foreign actors.

The communication was referred to the secretary of the territory and the speaker of the house.

Mr. Campbell's resolution was adopted. Adjourned until 3 p. m.

## GUTHRIE SOCIETY NOTES.

GUTHRIE, Ok., Nov. 22.—[Special.] Mr. F. Canice, one of our legislators, is quite ill with a fever.

The wife and children of Mr. John I. Pille arrived from Huntington, Ind., last week, and are pleasantly located on Academy Hill.

The ladies of the Christian church will give a dinner to the assembly hall on Thanksgiving day.

Judge S. W. Vandervort, of Kinsley, Kan., judge of the sixteenth judicial district, is spending a few days in Guthrie.

Guy Farrell returned to Joplin, Friday, after a few days visit to Guthrie friends.

The ladies of the Plymouth Aid society will give a "C" supper, Tuesday evening, Nov. 24.

Mr. Robb and wife will go to Kingfisher Sunday to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. McKenna are back from a day's visit to Oklahoma City.

Trinity Guild met at the residence of Mrs. C. M. Barnes, Thursday, to complete

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arrangements for the "Hat" party to be given Tuesday evening, Nov. 25.

Mrs. Rock has returned from Oklahoma City, where she spent several days in the interest of her book.

A number of our best singers, under the direction of Mrs. Driscoll, will soon produce "The Chimes of Normandy."

John Dillon will appear in "Wanted the Earth" at the McKenna opera house on Thanksgiving night. The theater loving people of Guthrie are looking forward eagerly to this first theatrical treat of the season.

A theater party composed of Governor and Mrs. Steele, Mr. and Mrs. G. Gammon and Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hart, will go up to Wichita Monday to see Will Carlton.

The G. A. R. ball, which came off last Thursday night, was a success in every way. The hall was tastefully festooned with flags and lanterns, and the orchestra furnished excellent music. The calico aprons which the ladies wore in the early part of the evening, and to which corresponding ties were drawn by the men, deciding to whom the first dance was to be given, afforded much amusement.

About 400 people were present, among whom were Governor and Mrs. Steele, Judge and Mrs. Allison, Maj. and Mrs. Herriott, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hart, Judge and Mrs. Greene, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Craig, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McNeal, Capt. and Mrs. Cavanaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Will Salmon, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gammon, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. McKenna, the Misses Meta Steele, Daisy Greene, Sears Craig, Blockie Jamison and Alice Schell, and Messrs. King, Dodge Becker, Harry and Barry Barnes, Decker, Guy Farrell and Lieut. Hiddle.

The grand jury of Logan county were discharged today. Foreman Morgan has shown himself a hard working man. All the expenses of the grand jury were paid by the county.

Marshal Grimes is in Nebraska, attending court.

TWO CHILDREN KILLED.

Special Dispatch to the Daily Eagle.

GUTHRIE, Ok., Nov. 22.—At 7 a. m. to-day Laura Douglas, aged 12 who, with her parents, were camping near Seward on their way to Missouri, while helping load a wagon preparatory to starting, picked up a revolver to move it. It dropped, the hammer hit the wagon box, and a 44-caliber ball went through the girl's neck, coming out at the shoulder. The girl lived but four hours, in an unconscious condition.

The girl was brought to Seward, at Guthrie, and there placed in a coffin. Mr. Douglas sold a team to get money to ship the body to the mother.

At four o'clock Albert Russell, a boy in East Guthrie, aged ten years, while cleaning a rifle accidentally discharged it. The ball entered below the eye, ranging backward and upward, and lodged in the brain. He lived three-quarters of an hour. The family came from Harper, Kansas.

FIRE.

PATTERSON, N. J., Nov. 22.—This morning a fire started in the extensive silk mills of Bomford Bros., which were soon totally destroyed. The fire communicated to the handsome residence of Joseph and Walter Bomford, which adjoined the mills, both of which were burned to the ground.

The loss is placed at \$400,000. There is an insurance of \$200,000.

ALTON, Ill., Nov. 22.—The three first glass factory buildings of the Illinois Glass works were destroyed by fire this morning. Loss \$100,000. Five hundred hands are thrown out of employment as the result of it.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 22.—The steamboat Tributary, with her cargo of cotton for New Orleans, was burned to the water's edge on the bayou Darbonne this morning. The loss is heavy.

## THE WORLD'S FAIR.

Preliminary Work of the Commission Having the Matter in Charge.

CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—The world's fair commission took a most important step today, looking towards harmony and the prevention of the promised deadlock between the commission and the local directory. Upon the motion of Judge Lindsay the whole question of the establishment of a bureau and the abolition of standing committees was referred to the special conference committee of eight.

It was this committee that yesterday drew up the papers on the powers of the local and national bodies, which threatened to bring the whole question of jurisdiction before congress or the attorney general.

Another important matter was the decision of the question whether or not money awards should be granted to exhibitors. The live stock men were demanding substantial awards in cash and threatening not to make an exhibit unless their demands are complied with. Commissioner Russell, of Nevada, introduced a resolution that the local directory be asked to appropriate \$200,000 for live stock premiums. This was carried, and immediately the report of a joint committee on awards was introduced. This report did not favor money premiums, but that medals and certificates should be given. This report was laid over for consideration.

The medals were disposed of, only to usher in a more complicated matter, and that was, "What are the lady managers here for?" This query came about through the request of Commissioner Furness, chairman of the committee which had been appointed to confer with the ladies. Mr. Furness had no idea of what he should tell the ladies, nor had any other of the commissioners, to whom the matter was submitted. For fifteen minutes the gentlemen floundered about in a sea of uncertainty, and then ungallantly swam ashore on a raft of compromise. The matter on the table. Everybody hastily climbed upon the beach, and the ladies were left to settle the matter to suit themselves.

The judiciary committee reported that, in its opinion, the salaries of the officers of the commission were not too large and should stand.

The report was adopted.

Prof. J. S. Gilley, of Jericho, Va., says "I regard Hood's Sarsaparilla as invaluable for catarrh."

OPPOSITION TO ARMOUR.

CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—The recent purchase of 5,000 acres of land near Hammond, Ind., by Messrs. Armour, Swift and Morris, the big packers and dressed beef dealers, has caused a decided stir at the stock-yards and among the railroads which were interested in the establishment of new stock-yards at a point some miles west of the city. The secession of the dressed beef men not only threatened to interfere seriously with the value of the present plant at the present yards, but also to jeopardize the success of the other venture. The result has been that, with the aid of English capital, a project is on foot for enlarging the present stock-yards and the erection of immense packing houses, to be operated in opposition to Messrs. Armour, Swift and Morris. Secretary Williams of the stock-yards company, says: "The capital is to come from New York, Boston, London and Chicago. The enterprise is not confined to Chicago. It will take in Kansas City and Omaha, where similar houses will be erected. It will take about \$8,000,000, or \$10,000,000 to get it under way."

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## THE ALLIANCE.

HOLTON, Kan., Nov. 22.—Over 3,000 people assembled in this city to ratify the success of the People's party. Hon. Jerry Simpson, congressman-elect from the seventh district, spoke for two and one-half hours to one of the largest gatherings ever held in Jackson county. Much enthusiasm was manifested, the speaker being frequently interrupted by applause. Mr. Simpson being an old resident of this county (having lived here some six years ago), received a warm reception and hearty congratulations over his success.

Trinidad, Colo., is a city whose marvelous prosperity does not depend upon crops or rainfall to any great extent. The great industry there now is the mining of the coal, and the payrolls of that place from this source alone aggregate \$15,000 per month in a city of about 10,000 people. In the meantime the production of coal and coke is being expanded very rapidly; while iron works, smelters and other manufacturing establishments of kindred nature are rapidly being added. For full information address Trinidad Land and Improvement Co., Trinidad, Colo.

BULLDOZERS.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 22.—Governor Nichols has received information of outrageous acts of lawlessness on the part of bulldozers in the southeastern part of Texas parish. One night last week a half dozen negroes were ordered to leave the place. Wednesday night a negro was killed, and last night two or three were whipped. The law-abiding element there and the citizens of Baton Rouge are much wrought up over these acts of lawlessness, and the governor declares that they shall be stopped, if it takes the whole executive power of the state.

A MISPLACED SWITCH.

KANKAKEE, Ill., Nov. 22.—The south bound fast mail on the Illinois Central railway was wrecked at this place this morning. The engineer, Edward Barker, had one of his legs cut off and one arm badly shattered. Three men were crushed to death. The accident was caused by a misplaced switch, which sent the fast mail train into a passenger train, which was side-tracked to allow the fast mail to pass.

DIPHTHERIA.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Nov. 22.—An epidemic of diphtheria is raging at Garner, this state. The schools are closed, and deaths from the disease are occurring daily. The local health authorities declare the sickness to be the ancient water which is used by the people at that place.

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